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## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Peak Hour Power, LLC

Project No. 14336-000

NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY PERMIT APPLICATION ACCEPTED FOR FILING AND SOLICITING COMMENTS, MOTIONS TO INTERVENE, AND COMPETING APPLICATIONS

On December 14, 2011, Peak Hour, LLC, filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of the Silver Creek Pumped Storage Project to be located on Silver Creek in Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land-disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners' express permission.

The proposed project would consist of: (1) a new 8,000-foot-long, 125- to 175foot-high roller-compacted concrete semi-circular dam forming an upper reservoir having
a surface area of 150 acres and a total storage capacity between approximately 6,138 and
9,207 acre-feet at a normal maximum water surface elevation between 1,650 and 1,750
feet above mean sea level (msl); (2) a lower reservoir encompassing the existing Silver
Creek Reservoir and neighboring abandoned mines land and having a surface area of 100
acres and a total storage capacity of 10,000 acre-feet at a normal maximum water surface

elevation between 1,200 and 1,300 feet msl; (3) a 3,000-foot-long tunnel connecting the upper and lower reservoirs; (4) a powerhouse containing two turbine units with a total rated capacity of 250 megawatts; (5) a 230-kilovolt, 2-mile-long transmission line; and (6) appurtenant facilities. The project would have an annual generation of 784,750 megawatt-hours.

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FERC Contact: Monir Chowdhury; phone: (202) 502-6736.

Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications

(without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days

from the issuance of this notice. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet
the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36. Comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and
competing applications may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR

385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's website

<a href="http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp">http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp</a>. Commenters can submit brief comments up
to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at

<a href="http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp">http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp</a>. You must include your name and contact
information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online
Support at <a href="mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov">FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov</a> or toll free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY,

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(202) 502-8659. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing,

documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and seven copies to:

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street,

NE, Washington, DC 20426.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be

viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of the Commission's website at

http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp. Enter the docket number (P-14336-000) in

the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online

Support.

Dated: March 9, 2012

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary.

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